COMMITTEE ON WATER AND SANITATION

(Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council)

Chairman: Mr. Timothy J. Callanan, Council Member District No. 2

A meeting of the **COMMITTEE ON WATER AND SANITATION**, Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council, was held on **Monday**, **February 8, 2010**, in the Assembly Room of the Berkeley County Administration Building, 1003 Highway 52, Moncks Corner, South Carolina, at 6:47 p.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Timothy J. Callanan, Council District No. 2; Committee Member Phillip Farley, Council District No. 1; Committee Member Robert O. Call, Jr., Council District No. 3; Committee Member Cathy S. Davis, Council District No. 4; Committee Member Dennis L. Fish, Council District No. 5; Committee Member Jack H. Schurlknight, Council District No. 6; Committee Member Caldwell Pinckney, Jr., Council District No. 7; Supervisor Daniel W. Davis, ex officio; Ms. Nicole Scott Ewing, County Attorney; and Ms. Barbara B. Austin, Clerk of County Council. Committee Member Steve C. Davis, Council District No. 8 was excused.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, the electronic and print media were duly notified.

Chairman Callanan called the meeting to order and asked for approval of minutes from the meeting of the Committee on Water and Sanitation held January 11, 2010.

It was moved by Committee Member Call and seconded by Committee Member Fish to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

A. Mr. Micah Miley, Director of Engineering, Re: Proposed CDBG Project (Burntwood CDBG Water Project).

Mr. Miley explained this project was requested by the residents of the Burntwood which is located northwest of St. Stephens on Hwy. 52. The community presented a packet of signatures from the residents requested the water project. There are 60 potential customers on the proposed route and 43 are grant qualified. The cost per house would be no more than \$1,100 with the grant. This project qualifies for a CDBG grant with over 60% LMI qualified households. It is recommended that a Letter of Intent be sent to the State for the project. Based on the information in the Letter of Intent, the Department of Commerce may invite a grant application. Engineering services for the project design will be sought when the application is submitted. The project will be included in the FY11 budget in the amount of \$500,000. Funding for this project will be a \$450,000 CDBG Grant and \$50,000 from the Capital Improvement Fund. The connection fees will be waived for the 43 customers.

Chairman Callanan inquired as to the number of households that are included in the \$1,163 tap fee.

Mr. Miley replied that the \$1,163 figure is based on 43 customers and BCWS contributing a maximum of \$50,000 towards the project.

Chairman Callanan inquired as to the number of signatures collected from the residents.

Mr. Miley replied that 81 signatures had been collected. Some of the residents were located on private roads and could not be served. There are 17 non-qualified residences.

Chairman Callanan inquired whether a vote was needed to proceed with this project.

Mr. Miley stated this briefing is for information only.

Supervisor D. Davis stated that Council wanted to be informed when grants are applied for and Council's approval would be needed to submit the application.

Committee Member Fish stated of the 81 signatures there are only 43 connections and inquired if the 43 households are committed to tap in to the water line.

Mr. Miley replied that a door-to-door survey of the 60 houses was completed with 43 houses that qualified. They provided income information to become qualified.

Mr. Ed Rogers, Customer Service Director, Berkeley County Water & Sanitation stated that as part of the 60 households surveyed, they committed to tap in to the new water line. 43 of the households would tie in with the CDBG grant.

It was moved by Committee Member Pinckney and seconded by Committee Member Call to approve a Letter of Intent and Grant Application for a CDBG Grant for the Proposed CDBG Project (Burntwood CDBG Water Project). The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

B. Review prior to Second Reading of Bill No. 10-02, an ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances, Berkeley County, South Carolina, regarding procurement procedures for Berkeley County Water and Sanitation.

Mr. Miley stated this ordinance would bring the Berkeley County Water & Sanitation Procurement Code into alignment with the Berkeley County Procurement Code with regards to local preference.

It was moved by Committee Member Fish and seconded by Committee Member C. Davis to approve prior to Second Reading, Bill No. 10-02. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

It was moved by Committee Member Fish and seconded by Committee Member C. Davis to adjourn the Committee on Water & Sanitation meeting. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

The meeting ended at 6:56 pm.